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WILLIAM J. BRYAN.

Mr. Bryan, the brilliant young statesman of Nebraska, is a man with many admirable qualities. He is talented, he is sincere, honest, earnest and aggressive. Only in one particular, as far as we know, does he fail to measure up to the requisites for a Presidential candidate. He has not as much backbone and inflexible will as Andrew Jackson had. Jackson's courage and firmness are necessary requisites for a President at all times, especially so in such times as these, when the combined power of the gold ring and monopolies, in every form (now ten times stronger and more dangerous than when Jackson was President) must be faced and fought to the death. We do not believe that all of these powers combined could buy or corrupt Mr. Bryan with money; but they would attempt to approach him by indirection, as they did even Andrew Jackson and Abraham Lincoln. They would surround him, if possible, with seeming friends, and would try to persuade, flatter, deter, or coerce him. They would corrupt, if possible, the men in his cabinet, and other men associated with him as counselors and advisers. These are the methods that Satan and his allies always use when they have to deal with an honest man. When a man of a different stripe is President, they simply go to headquarters and buy him.

We fear that if Mr. Bryan were elected President, that he would be under the influence of the old party bosses and fogies, who have themselves, for more than twenty years, kept the money question in the background, and fooled the people into fighting sham battles over the tariff. These old bosses have stifled conscience so long to serve party that they see no wrong in trading and dickering with the goldbugs and betraying the people into the hands of their enemies for party spoils and party success. Here would be Mr. Bryan's danger; for these old party bosses would desire to see him cut off his moral tail to the same length to which theirs has been chopped.

On the other hand Mr. Bryan would have made a splendid candidate for a reform party, for then, if elected, he would be surrounded by earnest and sincere friends of the people instead of by men who have for a quarter of a century been into a conspiracy with the Republican politicians to fool the people in order that the gold gamblers might thrive on the fatness of the land.

But of all the Democratic candidates before the convention, probably the best man that the party could have nominated is Mr. Bryan. He is not only still young and independent, not having been contaminated and fossilized by long association with the old mossbacks of the party, but he is the only man among the straight-out Democratic candidates who has ever said that he would not vote for a goldbug, but would leave the party and denounce it and join the Peoples Party, if, in 1896, the platform did not declare for free silver and financial reform. That evidence of manhood and patriotism, that determination to put country above party, causes us to warm up a little toward the young statesman, and makes us hope that there is much of the Andrew Jackson courage and firmness still latent within him. It is true he ought to have taken this position in 1892, but there are many of the best men in the country who did not then, yet who have since taken that position. Mr. Bryan may not have known at that time, as others did, that Mr. Cleveland was in league with the money power.

In this connection, one important phase of the political situation should not be overlooked. Every man in the past who has shown independence and asserted his manhood by laying down the principles that he would stand for, party or no party, in advance of the action or permission of his party bosses, has been marked for slaughter by the Democratic machine. There was no higher crime or treason in the eyes of the party bosses than any man could commit than to do what Mr. Bryan has done. Now, why is it that this brilliant young man, who ten years ago, or even four years ago, if he had dared to take the same position then, would have been branded as a traitor and driven from the party in disgrace, is to-day made the nominee of that party, amid great enthusiasm, for the highest office in the Republic? It is simple proof of the fact that the old party bosses are frightened, demoralized, and panic-stricken. They are alarmed at the increased intelligence of the people, and at the indignation of the voters, from ocean to ocean, against their folly and treachery for the last twenty years.

No one knows better than do these party bosses that not for a single time since the war has their party put forward a platform or named a candidate that stood for at least one of the great fundamental principles of Democracy, as laid down by Jefferson and Jackson, and that now the masses who believe in those principles are about to rebel against their party. And hence

it is that they grab this young patriot, who is on the verge of leaving the party and going to the Peoples Party, and make him their standard bearer, because they realize that over half of their voters are also on the verge of leaving their party and going to the Peoples Party. This is why the old party machine, which has ridiculed the Peoples Party in the past, stole half of its platform at Chicago; and appropriated it as its own. In short, they have put up that platform and nominated Mr. Bryan in order to try to kill the Peoples Party, that young giant which came into existence to preserve and defend the principles of Jefferson and Lincoln, which both of the old parties had betrayed and deserted. Yes, to try to kill the Peoples Party, which has driven them into making their first patriotic declaration in national convention since the war.

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the extreme of folly and in their madness and monomania plunged into a position which other silver forces may find themselves unable to approach or reach. And this proves to be so, the silver Democrats have foolishly made impossible that unity of the silver forces which is absolutely necessary to victory.

"No, get out, we don't want you!" was the plain response of these fool Democrats to the overtures of friends. "If you can't go our way, do as we do, and march as we say, you can let it alone," was the further apparent reply of these silver Democratic ninnyhammers.

Ordinarily the acts of an idiot or fool are noticed to be pitied and excused; but it is possible that honest and sincere men may become disgusted at the action of even so big an idiot as the ordinary Democrat, and so thoroughly disgusted as to make any future relation of any kind with him an utter impossibility.

The action of the Democrats in this matter may prove to be a great instance in point.

The condition now existing is about this. The silver Democrats have thrown around themselves a barrier which may prove, and in all probability will prove, insurmountable to other forces of a kindred character. It is practically impossible for the Democrats to get out of the enclosure into which they have thrown themselves, and it probably may be the best policy to let them die therein without any special effort to aid them and without any sympathy for them. Die they must if aid is not given them, and their foolhardy course and contemptible action may cause it to be thought that they are unworthy of so much as an effort to aid them, even though they should now beg for it.

THIS TELLS THE STORY.

We clip the following from an Associated Press Dispatch from Chicago, Ill. July 3.—The gold standard league are here. That means the fight is on.

Ex-Governor Roswell P. Flower was the first to arrive and he did not wait to get the stain of travel from his person before he had launched into the fight. The first place he tackled was the West Virginia headquarters, where he met delegate Chilton. He had a very animated conference with him and when he had finished he said to the Associated Press representative: "I had an idea about the spread of this silver fallacy and now I have confirmed it. These West Virginia people admit that they are not particularly in favor of this silver business, but they have some other end to attain. In West Virginia, the Democratic party has been losing votes to the Populists each year. They believe that they can recover this vote by going for free silver. The situation is the same all through the country."

This tells the whole story. It is another piece of direct convincing testimony to prove what Senator Butler said in his speech in Wilmington recently, and what THE CAUCASIAN has frequently said since the silver convention at Raleigh last September. It shows why these Southern machine politicians, who have sacrificed the cause of silver and financial reform for twenty years, who have deliberately betrayed the people into the hands of the goldbugs, are now yelling so loud and so vociferously for silver. They are frightened at the rapid growth of the Peoples Party. They see that they cannot fool the people any longer about the real issue. Yet these machine politicians are now yelling for silver in order to try to save their political machines, and to keep themselves in office. If by this means they can kill the Peoples Party, then they will again after this campaign go into co-partnership with the eastern goldbugs and betray the people for party spoils.

None know better than the Wall street goldbugs how basely the Southern politicians have betrayed the welfare and prosperity of the people in the past, and none have a better right at this time to express their supreme disgust at the hypocrisy of these leaders when they now declare so loudly for silver and the people. Governor Flower tells the whole story in the above interview when he says that these Southern politicians care nothing for silver, but are now clamoring for it in order to fool the voters of the South and hold them in party ranks. These false professions will not fool all of the people; some will be fooled, and they have ample time to repeat their folly.

CHRISTIANITY OF DEMOCRACY.

The enemies of Democracy have for some years been a marvel to us. For instance, Samuel R. Randall was a high protectionist and was a Democrat when the party was called a free trade party. Then Cleveland is a goldbug when the party is called a free silver party. There are the various kinds of Democrats which we have mentioned—'all curiosities.'

Now, last week the national Democratic convention bragged that it had downed the eastern and northern Democrats. It declared for free silver; against national banks; for government ownership of railroads, and then—what? Why it nominated Arthur Sewall, for vice-President. If he should be elected, there is no certainty that he may not be President. And who is he? A railroad magnate, national bank president and shipping prince from Maine. That

it should be left to the first distinctly so-called anti-Eastern Democratic convention ever held to make such a choice is one of the anomalies of this campaign. That a convention whose platform denounced the issue of money by national banks should accept a candidate who was especially recommended to it on the ground that he was a national bank president is another.

This kind of thing is what Democrats can do and endorse and approve. But a Populist can never see any consistency or honesty in it. The matter is made more curious from the fact that the Maine Democrats have declared for gold, and have nominated a man for Governor on a gold platform. Mr. Sewall has neither left nor denounced the party in consequence of that act.

SENATOR PRITCHARD MAKES THE PLUNGE.

Senator Pritchard is no longer a "friend to silver," and so friends to silver can no longer be (political) friends to Mr. Pritchard. He has taken the plunge into the gold camp, and the only honest and consistent thing for him to do now is to advocate the gold standard. Professions of being friendly to silver from him cannot and will not be taken seriously now by those who once supported him for a high office. If his words are to be believed, he has repudiated pledges heretofore made, and he can expect nothing less than repudiation of himself by those to whom he made those pledges. Mr. Pritchard will yet sit in the Senate before people will have an opportunity to dismiss him as their representative there, but we hardly think any action he may take will be inconsistent with his former promises during the time that he will remain Senator. Here is his latest promise and opinion:

"I shall cheerfully support the Republican ticket, and I feel confident McKinley and Hobart will carry North Carolina by a handsome majority, and that the action of the party as a national organization, the election of the Republican ticket by an overwhelming majority."

AB! WHAT'S THIS?

Just put on your thinking cap, citizen. Referring to the nomination of Sewall for the Vice-Presidency the New York Journal makes some significant comments. It says: "Mr. Sewall's nomination is a shrewd move in more ways than one. It maintains the standing of the party as a national organization, and curbs the dangerous sectional irritation developed by the discussion of the money question. It tends, too, to promote confidence in the intentions of the new element that has seized control of the organization, since a man of Mr. Sewall's standing and substance would hardly be a leader of the gang of red-shirted Anarchists, with the fuses of bombs sticking out of their pockets, which the silver Democracy is supposed, from some respectable Eastern circles, to be."

Now, just remember that Mr. Sewall is a railroad magnate and a bank president. And remember further that he would, if elected, preside over the Senate, where laws are enacted. And remember still further that the Democratic platform declares against banks and in favor of government control of railroads.

Gentlemen, it is the same old party we must face. The voice is the voice of Jacob, but the hands are the hands of Esau. The Democrats have already once sold their birthright for a mess of pottage. They are right for a mess of pottage. They will do it again if they have the chance.

ENOUGH OF THIS.

Some of these disreputable Democrats are proclaiming that if the Populists refuse to endorse Bryan at Chicago they will prove themselves to be dishonest in their advocacy of silver. Well! We have heard of and read about "that tired feeling" for some years past, but we never had the feeling till we heard this expression from some drivelling Democratic fool.

Just let your imagination get to work a minute. It will require a big "imagine" to take in the contemptible absurdity of such an utterance. A Democrat who makes it to the Populists deserves a spit in the face. The Populists have brought this financial issue to the front in spite of the strongest opposition Democrats could make to it. The Populists carried it forward through a storm of slander, abuse and lying from Democrats that has never been equalled on earth.

Democrats found it was going to win, and then the inexpressible contemptible gang steals the platform on which the Populists stood through the fight, and after that the thieves perk up and talk about honesty to Populists. The only genuine way for the Populists to continue to emphasize their honesty is to declare that it has no confidence in and cannot endorse thieves.

Democrats would have put Ransom back in the Senate two years ago if it could have done so. They would support a goldbug to-day if one had been nominated. In fact it has nominated a northern bank president and railroad president for vice-President and none but a fool will endorse him as a genuine silver man.

If it should happen that the Populist convention at St. Louis endorsed the Democratic ticket, that endorsement will probably be accompanied with a distinct declaration that no confidence is reposed in the party, but the action is taken to make that party successful one more time, and to finally prove to all men, even to idiots and fools that the Democratic party is always a traitor and a liar. If the party is made to be successful, we warn the people now that they need not expect any reform throughout. A leopard cannot change his spots, neither can a compost heap purify itself.

THIS IS NOT DEMOCRATIC YEAR.

As to a contest between Republicans and Democrats, and according to the programme of the Money Power which has controlled and now controls both these old parties, the year 1896 is not the Democratic year. It was just after the war when the Money Power arranged its programme. It first arranged and inaugurated a financial system which, it was intended, should have the fostering care and protection of the government. It was a grand scheme of robbery and piracy intended to subject the workers and wealth producers to the spoliation of a few sharpers and gamblers. The success of that scheme is most eloquently and emphatically illustrated by the conditions of to-day.

The Money Power was sagacious enough to know that they could not keep their scheme concealed if one faction of the people should win elections continuously, so they took advantage of the rancor and animosities engendered by the war, and arranged a part of the programme so that Republicans and Democrats should win elections alternately, and that they should fight each other on some issue like sectionalism, tariff, bloody strife, nigger and the like. But in the meantime the scheme of robbery was to be kept in the dark.

Some assinine Democratic ignoramus will say that THE CAUCASIAN is simply twaddling here and is dealing in inventions. Well, if he thinks so, let him refer to a book written by Henry Cress, a Wall street banker and speculator, and who is now the leading adviser of the banking gang. The title of the book is "Twenty Years in Wall Street." It shows how the Wall street outerie first went into politics for the purpose of controlling legislation in the interest of the Money Power.

Their scheme has been wonderfully successful. They first went into the campaign of 1872 and secured the election of Grant, a Republican. The next election was 1876, and these same forces backed up Tilden, Democrat, in a quiet but effective way, and he was elected. But after his election, the Money Power grew uneasy at some of his independent utterances, and the same forces which secured his election then conspired to have him unseated.

With the exception of that little hitch, the programme has been completely carried out. It stands this way: 1872—Grant, Republican. 1876—Tilden, Democrat. 1880—Garfield, Republican. 1884—Cleveland, Democrat. 1888—Harrison, Republican. 1892—Cleveland, Democrat.

The scheme has been a success from start up to date. Both Republicans and Democrats have allowed themselves to be parties to the scheme. It was the men who now compose the Peoples Party who first rebelled against this scheme. Their failure to endorse the new Democratic nominees could not be taken as a grievance, for such failure would simply put the Democrats in the programme they have fought to maintain for thirty years. 1896 is not Democratic year.

CREED OF THE LAWYER CONVENTION.

"Resolved, That the earth and the fulness thereof are reserved by the Lord for His saints."

"Resolved, That we are the saints."

Considering the fact that the lawyers took about everything in sight when the nominations were given out by the lawyer Democratic party convention, which recently met in Raleigh, the above creed seems to be quite appropriate.

TO ST. LOUIS.

The two principal railroad lines are making a stiff fight for the transportation of the delegates to St. Louis. We present statements from Hon. S. Otho Wilson, who was appointed by the State committee, and from Mr. Chas. L. Hopkins, of the Southern. The S. O. A. L. is the official route. We think we should say for the benefit of those concerned that our direct information is that Senator Butler has found it expedient to be on the ground early and will go on in advance of the delegation.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Mr. Bryan is quoted as saying that he did not want a rich man as running mate; but then the party that nominated Mr. Bryan did want a rich man and a banker and a railroad president, and they took him out of goldbugdom. That party seemed to lose confidence in Mr. Bryan as soon as they nominated him. If he should really be so foolish as to think the Democratic party meant all it said about banks and railroads, there must be somebody around to hold him down.

One of the brags being made by the Democrats is that their Presidential nominee has no record and cannot be attacked. Well, this may be so, but it is an emphatic fact that it would be difficult to find a Democrat who has been in public life for ten years, whose record would not fairly handicap him before an honest people. The greatest safety of the Democrats, therefore, is to bring forth men without records. They are still quite keen.

Moreover we note that the Republicans put up a big corporation attorney for vice-President. Likewise we observe that the Democrats put up a big corporation President for the same office. Now the fact is that if either one is elected he will preside over the Senate and have great influence and control over legislation.

The only reason or part of reason that the Populists can find for endorsing the Democratic ticket is this. The Democrats have got a big part of our platform and are running with it. It might not be a bad idea to run with them awhile for the purpose of trying to keep them from breaking our property all to smash.

And so that Democratic platform of 1892 was left for silver after all, even if Bob Glenn did have a personal letter from Cleveland saying it was, and saying that Cleveland was for silver. Furthermore we note that Bob Glenn continues to hold down a big office, and also continues to say he is for silver.

And now David R. Hill and Congressman Sulzer, of New York, both Northern goldbugs, and the Charlotte Observer and Capt. Paul B. Means, North Carolina goldbugs, will support the ticket. These Democrats, goldbugs and silverites, are a whole lot of Siamese twins when it comes to "party."

Some simpering, jibbering Democrats are grinning and saying they "have the Populists in a hole." Dunces! Fools! Can't they see that Populists have them in a hole, and that the Populists have a strong notion of filling up the hole with the Democrats at the bottom of it?

If a thief steals your ladder, the only use he has for it is to climb up to get something. Then he will kick it down. You have a continual use for your own ladder. Do you catch on.

The Democratic jabberers are saying that the weaker party should go to the stronger. All right. Take your own medicine. Read the facts and figures in another column and come on.

The Democrats won't acknowledge that they are trying to get into the Populist band wagon, but they are making an open effort to swing to the tail gate of the vehicle.

Those Person county Pops enunciated a doctrine so warmed by truth and sense as to make it burn its way to conviction. Those boys are "the stuff" sure.

A party that will steal a platform, or a party that will not hesitate to break a promise if it has a "chance." The Democrats are around.

Populist platforms and Populist hats seem to stand a blame poor chance when Democrats are around.

Say, the Demmies declared for government control of railroads! Did you ever?

And the Democratic nominee for President is also a lawyer.

SENATOR BUTLER ON THE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

He Says That the Democratic Party Has Made Better Promises Than Ever Before, But That a Party Which Has Had "Chances" Must be Judged by its Performance, and Not by its Promises. Everything Good in Their Platform is Stolen From The Peoples Party Platform.

By telegraph to the N. Y. World.

ELLIOTT, N. C., July 11th, 1896. The Democratic party has put forward the best ticket and platform it has had in a quarter of a century, but the record of that party is so treacherous, and has shown such incompetency, that any Democratic convention on any platform was foredoomed to defeat unless some other party vouched for their platform and supported their candidate.

Bryan is young, aggressive and honest, but the record of the Democratic party is more than even Thos. Jefferson could carry. The Democratic politicians, including those of the South and West, have by a long train of broken promises and brazen deception forfeited the confidence of the people. Therefore, the silver forces of the country cannot be united in that party simply because it has made more fair promises, and asked "for another chance."

A party that has been in power must be judged by its performances, rather than by its promises. The only guarantee that present promises are in good faith is the faithfulness with which past promises have been kept. Ever since 1873 the financial question has been at great an issue, as far as the welfare and prosperity of the people was concerned, as it is to-day; yet, during all this time, a large number of the same politicians who controlled the Chicago convention, and howled there so loudly for silver, have been in every Democratic convention, and helped to nominate standard-bearers and uncompromising goldbugs and monopolists for the presidency, who, if they had been elected, would have done just what the Republican president have done. They did this ignorantly and foolishly, or knowingly and deliberately; in either case they are not safe leaders now. They have in the past agreed with the Republican politicians to keep the people ignorant of the financial issue, and to force them to fight sham battles over the tariff.

They have now put up a good platform, as far as it goes, but everything good in it was stolen from the Peoples Party platform. It is evident that the Democratic politicians, realizing they could no longer fool the people, were frightened into declaring silver reform and financial reform and into the nomination of Mr. Bryan, on account of the rapid growth of the Peoples Party. The Democratic leaders refused every proposition for uniting the silver forces, so it seems that their desire to try to cripple the Peoples Party, was greater than their desire to defeat the goldbugs. Therefore, every true friend of silver, except those who are willing to be again deceived by the Democratic party, should await the action of the Peoples Party at St. Louis on July 22nd, and then rally to its support.

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Meeting of Sixth District Populists. A convention of the Populist voters of the Sixth Congressional district is hereby called to meet in the court house in the town of Chambers in Robeson county, on Tuesday, the 18th day of August, 1896, at 12 o'clock M., for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Congress, and a candidate for Presidential Elector and for the transaction of any other business which may properly come before it.

This July 9th, 1896.

Y. C. MORTON,

Chairman Populist Ex. Committee 6th Dist.

Pic Nic at Rock Ridge.

For The Caucasian.

TAYLOR, N. C., July 12. The annual picnic at Rock Ridge Academy comes off July 24th. Dr. Cyrus Thompson will speak to about 3,000 people. Big crowd, big speech and big time. Come, come, come, come, come, and bring your dinners and enough for your friends. Come Mr. Editor and bring your friends and some one to give us a talk on education in the evening.

H. F. FREEMAN.

Official Route to St. Louis.

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After getting three routes over Southern, through Charlotte, N. C., to St. Louis, giving two nights on road; two from S. A. L., through H. S. Leard, T. P. A., one route two nights on road, and one route one night on road, the Seaboard Air Line via Atlanta one night out was selected as the official route.

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# SOME FIGURES AND FACTS.

For the special benefit of Democrats who seem to think everything is Democratic just because Democrats have been able to raise bedlam and pandemonium in a convention, we present here some figures which, if studied, will show those misguided citizens just about where they are at.

The twenty-nine States west of the Mississippi and south of the Ohio and Potomac rivers have 231 Electors, seven more than necessary to elect a President. The silver forces in these States have been divided into three camps: Populists, silver Republicans and silver Democrats. Since the silver Republicans bolted their national convention and will co-operate with the Populists, this yet leaves two opposing silver forces—Populists and so-called Democrats.

The silver Democrats have much to say about their ability to win the contest for silver, but an analysis of the vote of 1894 and 1895 proves that that party is far in the minority in these twenty-nine States which they must have in order to elect the next President.

The following table gives the aggregate Populist and Democratic vote of 1894 and 1895 in the twenty-nine States of the South and West. This table shows the vote in the Western States:

State.	Dem.	Pop.	Electors.
Alabama.....	111,944	33,201	9
Arizona.....	9,672	9,672	4
Arkansas.....	74,869	7,122	4
California.....	149,433	32,118	12
Colorado.....	36,709	118,229	10
Florida.....	105,324	29,978	9
Georgia.....	107,714	15,003	10
Idaho.....	10,211	70,999	3
Illinois.....	8,138	9,354	3
Indiana.....	10,000	8,259	11
Iowa.....	13,519	2,001	4
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this proceeding was to be a grand and enthusiastic and cyclonic demonstration. Senator Vest nominated R. P. Bland, of Missouri.

John S. Rhea, of Georgia, nominated Wm. J. Lewis, of Nebraska. This nomination was eloquently seconded by George F. Sizemore, on behalf of the North Carolina delegation.

Senator Turpie nominated Governor Cleveland of Indiana.

Fredrick Whitehouse, of Ohio, nominated Horace Boies.

George H. Patrick, of Ohio, nominated Wm. H. McLean, editor of the Cincinnati Enquirer.

Joe S. Rhea, of Virginia, nominated Senator Charles Smith, of Kentucky.

W. F. Harity nominated ex-Governor Pattison, of Pennsylvania.

Delegate Miller, of Oregon, nominated George H. Patrick, of Ohio.

The names of Stevenson and Teller, who had been much talked about but were not presented to the convention at all, were finally decided not to vote in the convention in session till two o'clock a. m. when it adjourned till Friday morning at ten o'clock.

**Balloting.**

On Friday morning the first business was to ballot for President. The delegations from the gold standard States, being defeated at every turn, withdrew from the hall, and the convention at all, with the exception of Pennsylvania, which had been instructed for Pattison and for whom it was the only State.

North Carolina started in for Bryan and voted for him until he was nominated. A few delegates from the gold standard States, however, remained in New York delegation remained as silent as the tomb throughout.

The names of Bland, Bryan, Boies, Patterson, Teller, and McLean, however were before the convention and the roll call of States began.

The fact that the gold delegations were not present, and that the silver and Chairman White stated he would rule that two-thirds of all the votes cast, would secure a nomination, thus giving the silver delegates the votes of the gold delegates.

On the second ballot, the State of Connecticut started in for Bryan and was hissed. This the matter was named by the representatives of the silver and Populist parties as one on which they would fight. The silver forces could unite. He was rejected and hissed—and this action may or may not lead to the destruction of the Republican party.

**THE FIRST BALLOT.**—Bland, 233; Bryan, 105; Pattison, 95; Boies, 36; Blackburn, 33; McLean, 34; Matthews, 27; Stevenson, 8; Russell, 2; Campbell, 2; Hill, I. Absent and not voting, 185.

**THE SECOND BALLOT.**—Bland, 281; Bryan, 107; Pattison, 97; Boies, 33; Blackburn, 41; Boies, 37; Matthews, 24; Stevenson, 10; Teller, 8; Penneyer, 8; Hill, I. Absent and not voting, 185.

**THE THIRD BALLOT.**—Bland, 291; Bryan, 219; Pattison, 97; McLean, 34; Boies, 37; Matthews, 34; Blackburn, 27; Stevenson, 8; Hill, I. Absent and not voting, 162.

**THE FOURTH BALLOT.**—Bland, 280; Blackburn, 33; Boies, 33; Bryan, 236; Matthews, 35; Boies, 33; Blackburn, 27; Stevenson 8; Hill, I. Absent and not voting, 162.

Bland and Bryan assumed the lead. The reading clerk had got no further than the announcement of Bryan's 280 votes before there was a repetition of the same result. Bryan's young orator closed his speech. The Coliseum swayed with enthusiasm. The crowd cheered cheer. The State of Missouri started in again, and was carried to Nebraska. Noisier a crowd louder the whirl of sound swelled. The delegates of the silver standard. Hundreds of newspapers and under the were furiously whirled through the air.

Suddenly two beautiful girls dressed in pink appeared on a table back of the alternates' seats in the valley of Democracy. They held in their hands a banner with the words "Bryan for President" and the clear-cut features of Bryan. To and fro it waved while 20,000 throats yelled and screamed. Then the girls disappeared. The delegates to the standards about the delegates, Kansas, Nebraska, Mississippi, Georgia, Nevada, Colorado, South Dakota, North Dakota, Louisiana, Oregon, North Carolina, South Carolina, District of Columbia, Wyoming, Idaho, Michigan and Michigan were in the process of the delegates were fought for the standards of the other delegates.

The number of votes was 708, and the clerk announced 312 to be necessary to a choice.

**Fifth and Last Ballot.**

After the fifth ballot had begun, McLean, of Ohio, withdrew and that the delegates of the silver standard Governor Stone, of Missouri, stern faced and dark-browed, faced the audience on the platform.

"Gentlemen," he began, "I have received his note from Richard Parks Bland. An impressive hush fell upon the hall. The speaker paused for a moment, with a full pause after each word he read the note. It follows:

"LANCASTER, Mo., July 7, 1895.

"Dear Sir: I wish it to be understood that I do not want the nomination unless it is the judgment of the majority of the delegates to elect the strongest candidate. If it should at any time appear that my candidacy is contrary to the nomination of any candidate, I will resign. As the free coinage delegates in the convention or one more acceptable to a majority of the delegates than myself, I wish my name at the drawing from further consideration, I am willing to waive State instructions and let the majority of the delegates decide the matter. Put my name above me."

"Yours truly,

P. BLAND."

"In the name of Missouri," he said, "I lower the standard under which we have fought throughout this convention. I have received a note from the gifted, glorious son of Nebraska."

"Gentlemen, we have chosen a splendid leader," he said, and went on to say that he was proud to have as a great orator, great scholar, but not only not only nominate Bryan, but would elect him, the Governor continued, and the delegates said, "I cast the 24 votes of Missouri for Bryan."

The delegates of Missouri voted for Bryan far in the lead and his nomination was assured.

When the speaker's head broke into the bars of "Columbia." Cannon roared their accompaniment outside. The crowd of people in the world at that moment was the one sitting in the front row of the platform and the delegates of the silver standard women to take her hand in congratulation. She was Mrs. Bryan.

The vote in detail was never announced. The nomination was unanimous was submitted to the convention and it was greeted with a very loud chorus of "no," the chairman declared that the nomination of Bryan stood revealed as a nominee of the Democratic party, and the audience provoked, of course, a repetition of the stirring demonstrations.

men so sworn that the convention adjourned till Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

**VICE-PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION.**

Such was the beginning of the fifth day of the convention, and the business of making a nomination for Vice-President was before it. A nomination for Vice-President was presented for this honor. They were—

George Fred Williams, of Massachusetts.

Do McLean, of Ohio.

James H. Lewis, of Washington.

Walter Clark, of North Carolina.

E. L. Johnson, of New York.

Charles F. Johnson, of Illinois.

Sylvester Pennoyer, of Oregon.

Robert Sewall, of Maine.

Joe. Sibley, of Wisconsin.

Geo. W. Danell, of Virginia.

R. P. Bland, of Missouri.

Hon. J. B. Currie, of North Carolina.

It required five ballots to nominate a man whose name was not extended to one State, but extended all over this broad land—a man who had been known in the States and all over the country where he was known. In the last election he was nominated for Governor of the State and all the position of Supreme Judge of North Carolina and received the votes of men of all parties, Republicans and Democrats, and was elected by naming Judge Walter Clark.

It required five ballots to settle to contest.

On the first ballot Sibley received 163 votes—a larger number than any other whose name had been presented; but the following telegram was read from him:

"Hon. Amos Cummings:—  
"Please do not permit my name to be presented. I am so instructed my friends yesterday."  
JOSEPH C. SIBLEY."

On the fourth ballot a telegram was received from R. P. Bland saying he deemed it unwise to select both candidates for the position of Governor, State river, and his name was withdrawn.

McLean led on the fourth ballot, and was regarded as winner when the vote was taken. He was elected Governor from him was received as follows:

"Any vote cast for me for Vice-President is against my express wishes, and against my best interests. I decline this nomination."  
(Signed) J. R. McLEAN."

McLean is a very wealthy man and had said: "I can run with Teller, but I cannot run with the Democrats for losing ticket." This may be prophetic.

Sewall, of Maine, then forced to the front, and when he was far ahead, he was declared the unanimous choice of the convention.

North Carolina voted for Judge Clark, but the highest number of votes the convention gave him was 46.

**LETTER FROM SENATOR PADDISON.**

**He Makes Some Comments on the Lawyers' Convention—Some Musings on its Suppositions, and Some Quick Questions.**

For The Caucasian.

EAU CLAIRE, Wis., July 3, '90.

Dear Sir:—I have just returned from CAUCASIAN fully in its course. I see the Dems have put up a State ticket, and as usual, "it is the best and strongest ticket they could have named," so they all say. How ridiculous! They are all Democrats. For instance, two years ago it was quite a pill for them to vote for Judge Clark, and this year they nearly broke their necks trying to get him to run for Governor, and at last came out and begged him to run for you suppose they ever stop to think how ridiculous this makes their abuse of Populists appear? They are going to win too! Oh yes, certainly they will. The Populists are little lambs eager to be led to the slaughter! All they wanted was for the Demms to declare for free coinage 16 to 1, and they would all be breaking their necks in their haste to do so. But they are not to do so! Pop! Oh yes, of course they are! Pops will be only too glad to vote for men who, two years ago, would scarcely recognize them as men, and who did not think the vote of a Pop or a Democrat was worth counting. Certainly, we are very anxious to vote for such men. And, of course we are more than anxious to vote for Judges Avery and Brown! We are anxious to vote for them, of course! why not? Certainly they are for free coinage, and it doesn't make any difference that they think there is only one party in North Carolina, and that Pops and Reeps are not in the game. But they are not to do anything for free silver cover everything. They never declared themselves for free silver before! oh no! This is the first time!

For which if Senator Butler's votes in the Senate did not bear out, they bury stone him so unmercifully the other day after Butler's speech in Wilmington? But then, any man who would seriously advise PRIVACY in our government, postal system is non compos mentis. He is to be regarded as responsible for anything he says.

If Senator Teller is the man for the hour, who is I? I regret to see one of our best men, a Progressive Farmer impugning the word of our Chairman Taubeneck. This is wrong! We all may differ as to what is best to do for the good of the cause, but let us give each other credit for honest intentions. If we are in error, something else appears. Then shut, and shout loud.

I feel this way about it, that the People's Party is the hope of the people, and we are willing to co-operate with all patriotic voters to advance the cause of the people, at the same time we do not propose to surrender any of the principles for which we have fought, and we are not going to do enough for all men of all parties to understand that we stand for good, honest government, National State and county, of, for, and by the people.

Say, I guess our friends, the Demms's, in their zeal for free silver forgot all about the Fred Douglass Legislature, and the horrible laws passed by that terrible crowd. As I fail to see any good in their course, I regret to see them. I wonder if Ben Avery expects to get the certificate of election as Treasurer, like he got it for the Senate in 1892 and again in 1894?

By their fruits ye shall know them.

A. H. PADDISON.

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
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